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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE/TERRITORY: MAINE

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Requirements for Third Party Liability -  
Identifying Liable Resources

(b) (1) Data Exchanges and Trauma Code Edits: Frequency

433.138 (d) (1)

SWICA (Recipients and Custodial Parents) - The agency conducts a monthly data exchange on all new medicaid recipients and custodial parents. Quarterly data exchanges are conducted on all medicaid recipients and custodial parents.

SWICA (Absent Parents) - The agency conducts weekly data exchanges on all confirmed unemployed absent parents.

SSA Wage and Earnings Files (Recipients and Custodial Parents) - The agency conducts a monthly data exchange on all new medicaid recipients and custodial parents. Annual data exchanges are conducted on all medicaid recipients and custodial parents.

SSA Wage and Earnings Files (Absent Parents) - The agency obtains information related to employment and insurance via direct exchanges between State's Child Support Enforcement Agencies.

The Third Party Liability Unit receives monthly computer reports of employment and insurance information on all absent parents from the Child Support Enforcement Division within the Bureau of Income Maintenance. In addition, the Third Party Liability Unit has direct data base access to all applicable Title IV-D computer screens, particularly related to employment and insurance information.

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433.138 (d) (3)

The Bureau of Income Maintenance (State Title IV-A agency) supplies information on a daily basis to the Third Party Liability Unit. In addition, the Third Party Liability Unit has direct data base access to all applicable Title IV-A computer screens, particularly related to eligibility, employment, and insurance information.

433.138 (d) (4)

State Worker's Compensation - The agency conducts quarterly data exchanges on all medicaid recipients and custodial parents.

State Motor Vehicle Accident Files - The agency is unable to secure a satisfactory match. The requirement has been deemed met in accordance with 433.138 (d) (5).

433.138 (d) (e)

Trauma Edits - The Third Party Liability Program receives a weekly listing of all claims paid (\$200.00 threshold) with trauma diagnosis codes 800-999 except code 994.6 and those codes exempted by waiver (see letter dated 6-24-93). All other claims with any of the above Trauma codes that accumulate to \$500.00 within any six (6) month consecutive period are reported on a monthly basis.

(b) (2) Follow-Up Requirements

433.138 (g) (1) (i)

SWICA (Recipients and Custodial Parents) - Follow-up is initiated via a computer generated letter (within 45 days) to all individuals identified with an employment history. All identified legally liable third party resources are incorporated in the third party data base and third party recovery unit within 45 days.

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433.138 (g) (1) (i)

SWICA (Absent Parents) - Follow-up is initiated via a computer generated letter (within 45 days) to the employer of all absent parents identified with an employment history. All identified legally liable third party resources are incorporated in the third party data base and third party recovery unit within 45 days. Information gathered by the Title IV-D Unit is transmitted to the Third Party Liability Unit via a monthly computer listing.

SSA Wage and Earnings Files (Recipients and Custodial Parents) - Follow-up is initiated via a computer generated letter (within 45 days) to all individuals identified with an employment history. All identified legally liable third party resources are incorporated in the third party data base and third party recovery unit within 45 days.

SSA Wage and Earnings Files (Absent Parents) - Follow-up is initiated via a computer generated letter (within 45 days) to the employer of all absent parents identified with an employment history. All identified legally liable third party resources are incorporated in the third party data base and third party recovery unit within 45 days. Information gathered by the Title IV-D Unit is transmitted to The Third Party Liability Unit via a monthly computer listing.

Title IV-A Data Exchanges - Follow-up is initiated within 45 days by letter and/or by telephone to the employee and/or employer as necessary. All identified legally liable third party resources are incorporated in the third party data base and third party recovery unit within 45 days.

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433.138 (g) (1) (i)

Health Insurance Information and Workers Compensation Data Exchanges - Follow-up is initiated within 60 days by letter and/or by telephone to the insurance company/employee/employer as necessary. All identified legally liable third party resources are incorporated in the third party data base and third party recovery unit within 60 days.

(b) (3) Follow-Up Requirements (State Motor Vehicle)

433.138 (d) (4) (ii) - Not Applicable

(b) (4) Follow-Up Requirements (Trauma Code Edits) - Follow-up is initiated via a computer generated letter within 30 days to all recipients who are identified on the Trauma Code Listing. All legally liable third party resource information is incorporated into the Third Party data base and Third Party Recovery Unit within 30 days of identification.

Trauma codes yielding the highest third party collections are identified via review of recoveries made from closed trauma code cases. These codes require a minimum of a second follow-up when an initial response was not received, or was unclear.

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